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Corps provides recommendation on residential discharge hoses

PIERRE, S.D. (June 6, 2011) – With water elevations on the Missouri River at record levels, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recommends local residents follow certain criteria when utilizing residential discharge hoses from sump pumps.

Recommendations:

1. **PLACEMENT:** Do not place discharge hoses through or under levees. Do not discharge water anywhere near the land side of the levee. Place the discharge hoses completely over any nearby levee. The hose needs to discharge on the plastic and remember to secure the hose (preferably by using a sandbag).
2. **CHECK FOR LEAKS:** Routinely inspect the coupler / connection to ensure there are no leaks.
3. **SIZE:** Residential discharge hoses should be no larger than 1" in diameter.

During ongoing flood-response operations throughout the Missouri River basin, the Corps of Engineers will provide regular updates directly to the public via its Facebook (www.facebook.com/OmahaUSACE) and Twitter accounts (www.twitter.com/OmahaUSACE). Daily and forecast reservoir and river information can be found under the Water Management section of the Northwestern Division homepage at: <http://www.nwd-mr.usace.army.mil/rcc>.

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